Regular Session, 2010

SENATE BILL NO. 415

BY SENATOR MICHOT

COMMERCIAL REGULATIONS. Provides that developing or manufacturing computer software products, or developing or supplying services, while knowingly using stolen or misappropriated computer software and selling or offering for sale such computer software is a deceptive or unfair trade practice or act. (8/15/10)

1   AN ACT

2   To enact R.S. 51:1427, relative to deceptive or unfair trade practices or acts; to prohibit a

3   person from selling or offering to sell computer software products which the person

4   has developed or manufactured, or services that the person develops or supplies,

5   while knowingly using stolen or misappropriated computer software; to provide for

6   sanctions; and to provide for related matters.

7   Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

8   Section 1. R.S. 51:1427 is hereby enacted to read as follows:

9   **§1427. Unfair or deceptive trade practices or acts; stolen or misappropriated**

10   **computer software; violations**

11   **A. It shall be unlawful for a person to develop or manufacture computer**

12   **software products, or to develop or supply services, while knowingly using**

13   **stolen or misappropriated computer software, including but not limited to**

14   **computer software that does not have the necessary license agreements, where**

15   **those computer software products or services are sold or offered for sale in this**

16   **state.**

17   **B. Any violation of this Section shall be a deceptive or unfair practice or**

1   **act and shall subject the violator to any and all actions and penalties provided**

2   **for in this Chapter.**

The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part
of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Alan Miller.

DIGEST

Proposed law provides that it is unlawful for a person to develop or manufacture computer software products, or develop or supply services, while knowingly using stolen or misappropriated computer software, including but not limited to computer software that does not have the necessary license agreements, where those computer software products or services are sold or offered for sale in this state.

Proposed law provides that any violation of proposed law is a deceptive or unfair practice or act and subjects the violator to any and all actions and penalties provided for in Unfair Trade Practices and Consumer Protection Law.

Effective August 15, 2010.

(Adds R.S. 51:1427)

Coding: Words which are ~~struck through~~ are deletions from existing law;
words in **boldface type and underscored** are additions.